(c) and (d) The Ministry of Environment and Forests has taken steps for safeguarding various concerns of wildlife in the rules being framed under "The Scheduled Tribes and other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006"

Targets for afforestation

1869. SHRI M.V. MYSURA REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have fixed any target for afforestation in the country; and

(b) if so, the details of progress and achievements made in this respect?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) and (b) The targets for tree planting were being, fixed under two mutually exclusive parameters, namely Point 16 A (Tree plantation on private lands-number of trees planted) and Point 16 B (Area covered-public and forest land, Hectares) of the Twenty Point Programme-1986. The target and achievement during 2006-07 were as under:–

Year	Point 16 A (Tree plantation on private lands) Number of Trees planted in lakhs		Point 16 B (Area covered under plantation-public and forest lands) Area in hectare,	
	Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement
2006-07	15010	13218.49	18,70,000	1,16,55,727

The targets for tree planting under revised Twenty Point Programme-2006 for the year 2007-08 areas given below:–

Point 52 (a) : Area covered under plantation public and forest land-18,60,000 hectare.

Point 52 (b) : Number of seedlings planted on public and forest land (Number):– 12,090 Lakh

National environment mission

1870. SHRI M. V. MYSURA REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have launched any National Environment Mission in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the time-frame within which the mission would be launched?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA): (a) No, Sir.